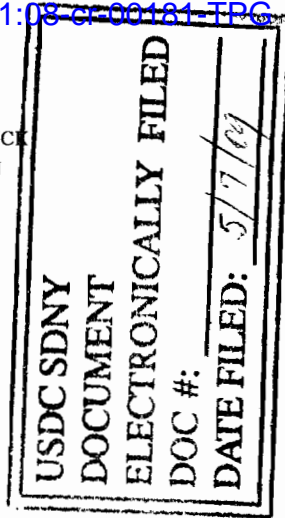


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**Re: United States v. Levis, No. 8-Cr-181**  
**Adjournment Request – October 2, 2009**

Dear Judge Griesa:

I am lead counsel for Mario S. Levis, the lone defendant in the above-styled case. Trial is scheduled to commence on September 14, 2009.

I have been invited by Gerald Lefcourt to participate in a panel discussion at the 5th Annual White Collar Crime Conference of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL), at Fordham University, on **Friday, October 2, 2009**. I am writing to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the trial for the entire day on October 2, 2009, so that I may attend the conference and participate in the panel discussion.

AUSA Christopher Garcia has informed us that the government does not object to this request for a one-day adjournment of the trial. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

*Approved.*  
*Thomas P. Griesa*  
 USAJ  
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Very truly yours,

*R. Black*  
 Roy Black

cc: AUSA Christopher Garcia (via e-mail)